



Birth To Three Program



Milwaukee County
Department of Health and
Human Services
Disabilities Services Division

Program Overview - History

Part C Individuals Disabilities Education Act

- Infants and toddlers with disabilities (birth-3) and their families receive early intervention services under [IDEA Part C](#).



The Birth to Three Program

- Provides home based parent child dyad centered early intervention services to children age birth to three years who demonstrate delays in key developmental areas.

Referral to Milwaukee County Birth to 3 Early Intervention Network

Parents



Parents identify a
Developmental
Concern

Informed Referral Networks

Hospitals

Clinics

Doctor's
Offices

Bureau of
Milwaukee
Child Welfare

Head Start,
Child Care,
Schools

Telephone Referrals

- **Faxed Referrals**
- **Emailed Referrals**
- **Referral through Website**

Pathways to Eligibility

Diagnosed Condition

- Informed clinical opinion
- Supported by physician's report documenting condition
- Likelihood of delay: 50% or higher

Developmental Screening

- Developmental and Social Emotional Screening

Evaluation

- Developmental delay
- Atypical development

Early Intervention Process

Screening


Ages & Stages
Questionnaire

Evaluation

- Cognitive
- Physical
(including vision
and hearing)
- Communication
- Social or
emotional
- Adaptive

Within **45 days**

- Screening (if
applicable)
- Initial evaluation
- Initial assessments
(of child & family)
- Initial IFSP meeting



Eligibility is
determined by
lead agency

usually through the qualified personnel who
conducted the evaluation

Yes

The child is eligible
for Part C services

- initial IFSP meeting
is scheduled

No

The child is not
eligible

- parents are given
prior written notice*

What if a child is not eligible?

- Offer to re-screen within 6 months
- Provide information on community resources & services
- With parent request and consent, referral to other programs, along with assistance in locating and accessing these programs



Individual Service Plan (IFSP)

The IFSP is a **written plan** with 2 general purposes

- To set reasonable **outcomes** for the infant or toddler with a disability
- To state the **services** that the EI program will provide for the infant or toddler & family



Milwaukee County Birth to 3 Early Intervention

Contracted Provider Network

St. Francis Children's Center	Curative Care Network
Milwaukee Center for Independence	Penfield's Children Center
Center for Communication Deaf and Hard of Hearing	Vision Forward
Lutheran Social Services	Easter Seals of South Eastern Wisconsin

Funding Source

- Federal Funding through the U.S. Department of Education Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Part C
- The state of Wisconsin provides funding to the county
- Families that are in the Birth to 3 Program are asked to provide access to bill their insurance company.
- Other funding sources: grants, fundraisers, or agency funds.
- Parental Cost Share System





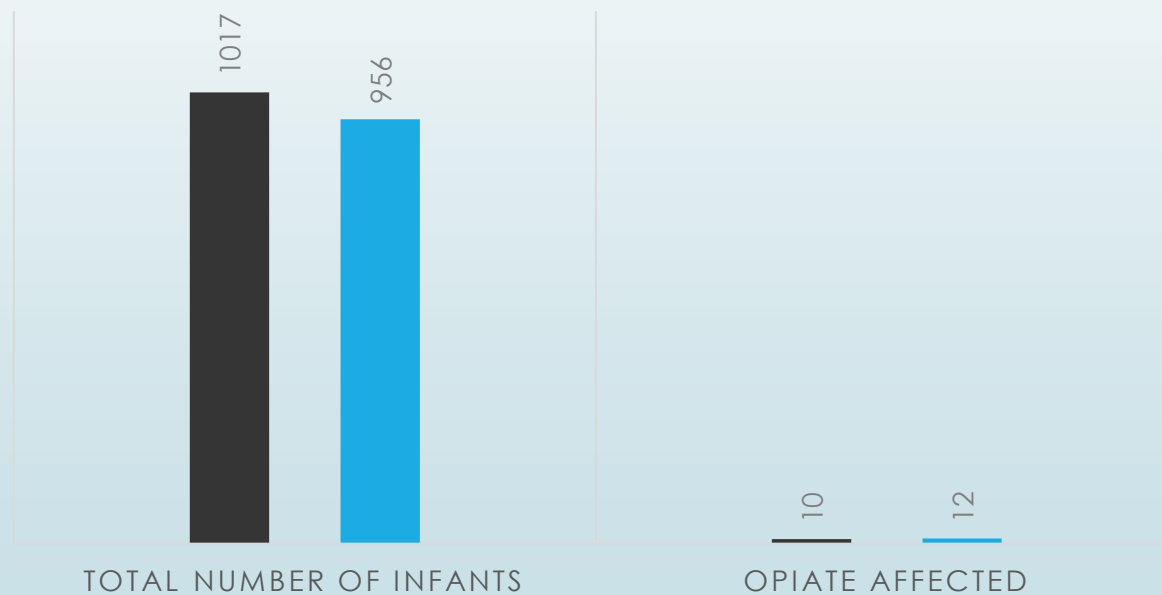
Birth to 3 Referral Sources

- Parents
- Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare (BMCW)
 - Care 4 Kids
- Hospital
- Clinics
- Pediatrician
- We Trac: Referrals from Audiologist

Program Data

INFANTS SCREENED & EVALUATED

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Questions?